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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Applicants : Michael R. Hale et al.  
Application No. : 10/600,937 Confirmation No. : 6239  
Filed : June 20, 2003  
For : SULFONAMIDE INHIBITORS OF ASPARTYL  
PROTEASE  
Group Art Unit : 1624  
Examiner : Thomas C. McKenzie

New York, New York 10020  
August 25 2005

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)  
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

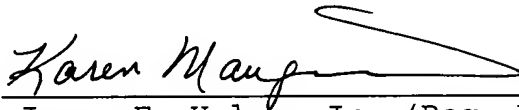
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants  
hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to  
respond to the Examiner's Action dated February 28, 2005.  
With the extension, a response is due on or August 29, 2005  
(August 28, 2005 being a Sunday.) The Director is hereby  
authorized to charge payment of \$1,020.00 to Deposit

Account No. 06-1075, Order No. 003667-0043, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3).

The Director is also hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional extension fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075, Order No. 003667-0043. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,



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